

REMARKS

This application has been amended so as to place it in condition for allowance at the time of the next Official Action.

The amendment to claim 1 is the same as the draft included with the telefax of January 3, 2007 from the undersigned to Examiner Lesniewski, and the subject of the subsequent telephone call between the same parties. In the context of that discussion, it was agreed that an amendment to claim 1 such as that provided in the draft would serve to overcome any rejections based on the art of record. Accordingly, the present amendment formalizes such change to claim 1, and makes the same modifications to the remaining independent claims 11 and 15.

As discussed previously between the undersigned and Examiner Lesniewski, the present claim amendment provides that the ident code of the invention is distinct from the address of the page upon which the content is posted. In support of this feature, the sentence on page 5, lines 2-8 of the specification specifically acknowledges that the posted information will be available at a specified network address. It also notes that any number of users can post to the same network address.

The specification provides further details of the ident code beginning on line 21 of the same page. The ident code is described as being assigned to particular information entered by person P2 in the example, and the ident code is described as unambiguous as well. Another characteristic ascribed to the

ident code is the fact that it can contain any desired sequence of characters, letters, or numbers.

As the network address is common to all information posted by all users, the network address is *not* unambiguously assigned to the information posted by person P2, as that address is shared with all of the other posts by other users to the same board. Additionally, if the ident code can be composed of any desired sequence of characters, letters, or numbers, it cannot be a URL, which allows for a strictly limited character set for valid addresses.

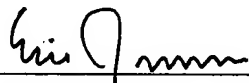
For the reasons provided above, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1-20 under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over TEIBEL et al. in view of BURNS et al. is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner has any questions or requires further clarification of any of the above points, the Examiner may contact the undersigned attorney so that this application may continue to be expeditiously advanced.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

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